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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 27 January 1954

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Messrs. Wisner, Amory, Colonel White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, [redacted] Sheldon, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

a. Referred to the comments in today's CID on the Berlin Conference and noted that they had been overtaken by news coverage and State cables. The Director said that in the future such comments should be carefully screened.

b. Referred to the cable [redacted] (IN 12244), respecting an alleged invitation from the Vice President to the [redacted] to visit the U.S., and noted this might not be a bad idea; however, he did not know if such an invitation had been issued.

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c. Raised the question of whether he should contact [redacted] while in the U.S., noting he would see him at several receptions and dinners. After some discussion it was agreed the Director would not officially make such contact.

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d. Raised the question of the establishment of a Board to act on all proposed promotions to Supergrades, and approved the formation of such a Board, to be composed of DDCI, DD/P, DD/I, DD/A, AD/CO, AD/P and the Director of Training as Members, the Inspector General, Director of Security and Chief Medical Officer, as Advisors. There was considerable discussion as to the terms of reference of this Board and promotions in general. Mr. Kirkpatrick noted he had prepared a paper on the whole Career Management Program, which is now in the hands of DCI and DDCI. The Director expressed the opinion that this problem was one of considerable magnitude and indicated he wished to move in on it at the earliest possible date.

e. Noted he had received a telephone call from Admiral Strauss who was seeking recommendations for an Intelligence Officer for the AEC. After discussing several candidates, the Director asked those present to bring to his attention any other qualified people who might come to mind.

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g. Noted he had received the revision of NSC 10/2 and 10/5, and asked General Cabell to have a final look at this. It was noted by DD/P that this paper, as now written, had his concurrence and that of his people.

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Mr. Wisner:

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c. Noted he had talked with Ambassador Peurifoy who indicated he wished to see the Director before his return to Guatemala. DD/P undertook to arrange this appointment.

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e. Briefly reported on the film, "Silvery Dust" and asked the Director if he wished to invite selected people to view this picture. The Director stated he would discuss this at today's OCB Meeting.

Mr. Amory:

a. Suggested that the Director announce at the AD's Meeting on Monday, 1 February, [REDACTED] appointment and his duties. The Director approved.

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b. Raised the problem of disapproval by Security of high level Agency consultants who, in fact, were security approved by other agencies. The Director said arrangements should be made to notify the AD's and/or Deputies concerned of the intention by Security to disapprove such consultants in order that it could be considered on the highest level in the Agency. Colonel White noted that there was a meeting on this problem scheduled for 2:00 pm this afternoon.

Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Referred to Congressman Stringfellow's request for any information we might have on the mission he performed for OSS during World War II and as broadcast on the television program, "This Is Your Life" on Wednesday, 20 January 1954. Mr. Kirkpatrick said that we had been unable as yet to find anything on this; however, a search was being made.

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